



Houston R. Burns

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Funeral services for Houston R. Burns, 65, of Leesville, Louisiana will be held at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, July 6, 2013, at the First United Pentecostal Church in Leesville with Rev. Bud Davis, Rev. Mark Christian and Rev. M. C. Green officiating. Burial will follow in the Mitchell Cemetery in Anacoco; services are under the direction of Labby Memorial Funeral Home of Leesville.

Visitation will be held Friday, July 5th from 2 pm - 9 pm, then Saturday, July 6th, from 8 am until service time in the church.

Houston, the son of David and Pearlie Burns, was born July 29, 1947 in Pineville, LA. He passed away Wednesday, July 3rd, at the Rapides Regional Hospital in Alexandria, LA.

Houston was a true man of integrity; he was a loving and caring husband, father and grandfather and Darlene's "Best Friend". He enjoyed spending time with his family and friends running Walker Hounds. He is preceded in death by his parents and siblings, Ludie, Dick, Louise, William, Wilamae, Franklin Delano, Gladys, Lawrence and Gracie.

He served in the US Army as a SGT in Vietnam. In 1999 he retired from the Vernon Parish Sheriff Office after 17 years. After his retirement from VPSO he worked as an investigator for the Louisiana State Penitentiary, and then later worked as an International Policeman in Kosovo. Upon his return from Kosovo, he worked with FEMA in Quality Control. In 2008 he returned back to the Vernon Parish Sheriff Office where he worked as a part-time deputy until his passing.

Houston is survived by his wife of 13 years, Darlene Burns of Leesville; sons, Boyd Ray Burns of Leesville, Tully and Jodi Burns of Simpson and Jason Burns of Leesville; daughters, Zanita Burns Phillips and husband Ricky of Bossier City, LA and Benita Burns of Dallas, TX; step-daughter Hope Kuhlrow of Anacoco; brother, Huey Burns of Mamou, LA; sister Faye Parham and husband Harry of Virginia; 15 grandchildren and 9 great grandchildren.



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Words of comfort may be expressed to the Burns family at www.labbymemorial.com



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Anonymous posted:

Darlene and Family: We were out of town and did not know of your loss. Frank always spoke highly of Houston and the times that they shared working with the Vernon Parish Sheriffs Office. Houston will be sadly missed. Your friends Frank & Johnny Sue Alderson

July 15 at 7:00 PM



Dwayne Larriviere posted:

I was devastated to hear of Houston's so untimely passing. He was a good man and I considered him a great friend. He was very kind to me in times that were hard in my life, as we worked together many years at VPSO. I have and always will remember him with great fondness. God Bless and Rest you old friend.

July 14 at 7:00 PM



E Grady Stephens posted:

Ms Darlene, I have been out of town, and now find out about the death of my dear friend Houston Burns. I am so saddened to learn of his passing, and pray that God will comfort you in this loss. He was such a wonderful person, and he made my job working with him much more enjoyable. I have thought of our friendship often, and hoped that he was doing OK. Houston was a very loyal and dependable friend, the kind that you miss when not able to visit very often. E Grady & Nancy Stephens.

July 10 at 7:00 PM



Senator John Smith posted:

Mrs. Burns and family, Pam and I send our deepest sympathy on hearing the news of the tragic and unexpected death of your husband and father. We were unable to attend the services, but please know that our prayers and thoughts were with you. If ever I can be of assistance to you, please do not hesitate to call on me.

July 9 at 7:00 PM



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MK

M. C. Keathley posted:

Boyd Ray & Tully: I was in TN when I heard about Houston & am so sorry for your loss & also sorry I couldn't be here for the services. I knew your Dad to be someone with integrity, thoughtfulness, & a great ability to express himself. Just know that if I can be of any help to either of you, let me know. Love you guys. God bless you & the rest of your family.

July 7 at 7:00 PM

SQ

Sheila Quinn posted:

Darlene, Zanita, Benita, Boyd and Tully, Your family in Virginia is so sad for the loss of Uncle Houston. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. Mom (Faye) and I have such great memories of our visit with him a few years back that we will cherish for the rest of our life. God bless each one of you and may He comfort you. Sheila Muse Quinn

July 7 at 7:00 PM

CB

Christina Burns posted:

~ Christina Burns, leesville, Louisiana

July 7 at 7:00 PM

DA

Dana Artley posted:

We love you Uncle Houston, you will be missed terribly.

July 7 at 7:00 PM

GE

Glenda Ervin posted:

Just wanted to say goodbye to a friend I have known for many years..my thoughts and prayers for his family..Your smile and funny sence of humor will be sadly missed Houston..R.I.P. mu friend..

July 6 at 7:00 PM



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SG

Sharon Gorum posted:

I am Bill and Gladys Gorum's daughter Sharon. I haven't seen Houston in several years but I want to send you condolences for your loss. I remember Houston always being friendly towards me. May God bless you!

July 6 at 7:00 PM

SE

Sandra Elliott posted:

~ Sandra Elliott, Leesville, Louisiana

July 5 at 7:00 PM

MH

Martha Horton posted:

Darlene and family I am sending you my deepest sympathy and my thoughts and prayers.i will keep you all on my prayer list im so sorry for your loss Houston was well a very good friend of the family God BLESS.

July 5 at 7:00 PM

PT

Pete & Chris Tilley posted:

Darlene, so sorry for your loss. You are in our prayers. God bless and keep the faith. Pete & Chris Tilley

July 5 at 7:00 PM

CB

Carleen Davis Barbee posted:

~ Carleen Davis Barbee, Seguin, Texas

July 5 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Houston was a great friend and will be missed. i remender all the times we went deer hunting and would run dogs. I will miss you dear friend. it has been a long time since i saw you. R.I.P. donald dipuma pineville,laContact Me

July 5 at 7:00 PM



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LP

Larry Peevy posted:

God Bless

July 5 at 7:00 PM

JW

Joyce Wampler posted:

Darlene & family.... Just want you to know that your friends in Kentucky are thinking of you, and sending love & prayers.

July 5 at 7:00 PM

TH

The Staff Of Labby Memorial Funeral Home posted:

Offering our deepest condolences during this difficult time.

July 5 at 7:00 PM

JK

Jeannie Kerry posted:

May God bless you and your family in this time of sorrow.

July 4 at 7:00 PM

LL

Loretta Lottinger posted:

Prayers of comfort and support are sent for you. When you look back and see the footsteps behind you know that it is The Lord who carries you. Loretta Burns Lottinger and Harry

July 4 at 7:00 PM

LD

Louis & Tricia Doherty posted:

I was very saddened to hear of his passing. Houston was a great man. Prayers for you Darlene and your family during this time.

July 4 at 7:00 PM



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CL

Cindy & Jim Lindsey posted:

We are so sorry for your loss...

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RB

Rhonda Burns posted:

~ Rhonda Burns, Norman park, Georgia

July 4 at 7:00 PM

CB

Christina Burns posted:

So sorry for your loss. Houston Ray was a good man. He will be missed..prayers for u mrs Darlene and family.

July 3 at 7:00 PM

SF

Sandra Faircloth posted:

Darlene & Family: You are in our prayers. May God put his loving arms around and comfort you. Houston was always a great co-worker, enjoyed working with him for many years.

July 3 at 7:00 PM

RM

Randall & Beth Martin posted:

Prayers for peace and comfort.

July 3 at 7:00 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Houston by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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